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My dear Dr. Gray; 14. July

I'm sure you must  
feel surpris'd at not hearing  
from me to name a day  
for you to come here if meet  
our good friends Dr. Hodder  
& Harvey & Mr. Ward. But  
my dear mother has been  
so very unwell & my younger  
boy also. that I could not  
make any appointments  
at home. they are now  
better & I hasten to ask

if you & M<sup>rs</sup> Gray will  
give us the pleasure of  
seeing you here. on Thursday  
the 24<sup>th</sup> Inst: provided that  
you can ensure D<sup>r</sup> Hooker  
& D<sup>r</sup> Harvey to join you.  
as it is now so much later  
than I had expected to see  
you. we are anxious  
that D<sup>r</sup> Ward should be  
with us. & I believe by that  
Day he will have returned  
from Brittany - with I  
could hope for the great  
pleasure of seeing Sir William  
also. but I fear he may not

be able from his state  
of health to venture out  
at night. pray do your  
best to enlist D<sup>r</sup> Hooker  
(altho' his time must be well  
occupied) & D<sup>r</sup> Harvey also -

I have much in a small  
way to show you. not only  
"Kew in a corner" but all  
my Venetian pictures to be  
but independent of this. during  
my absence alone for 6 or 7  
months. I shall feed on the  
remembrance of your visit  
some of mine -

with kindest respects  
to M<sup>rs</sup> Gray believe me  
my dear Sir. yours  
very truly P. M. Cooke